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International Jawa Day

100 bikers ride to Srirangapatna

Mysuru, July 14 (GA&KS)- Over 100 Jawa and Yezdi bike owners took to the roads today, celebrating International Jawa Day with a spirited ride to Srirangapatna. The event, organised by the Jawa Friends Club in Mysuru, commenced near the RTO (East) Office on the Outer Ring Road (ORR) with club members Khizer and Sameer leading the procession.

As the riders vroomed towards Srirangapatna, curious onlookers lined the route, waving and admiring the vintage motorcycles. The impressive collection featured models ranging from the classic 1957 Jawa to the 1996 Yezdi Roadking.

These Czech-origin bikes have solidified their place in Indian automotive history, revered as iconic machines whose legacy is cherished by enthusiasts today. Over the years, they have attained cult status, captivating both young and old alike.

Jawa Bikes made their Indian debut in the mid-1940s, thanks to F.K. Irani and Ideal Jawa in Mysuru.

(See BIKERS on page 7)

Kill bid on Donald Trump

Bullet grazes upper part of his right ear; suspect shot dead

Security personnel seen whisking away Trump from the podium.

Pennsylvania, July 14 (Agencies)- Former US President Donald Trump survived an assassination attempt after multiple gunshots were fired during a campaign rally in Butler City yesterday.

A bullet narrowly missed his right ear, leaving him with minor injuries.

Trump shared on social media that while addressing the rally in Pennsylvania, he heard a whizzing sound and then felt a bullet graze the upper part of his right ear on Saturday.

Reports indicate that at least one audience member was killed, and two others were critically injured. The FBI has confirmed that the incident is being investigated as an assassination attempt.

(See TRUMP on page 7)

Smooth traffic remains a mirage at Millennium Circle

Mysuru, July 14 (MK&BS)- The Millennium Circle in front of LIC Divisional Office at Bannimantap, urgently needs measures for safe and secure vehicular traffic movement. This Circle connects Fountain Circle near Central Prison, JSS Medical College and Dental College, and Highway Circle via Nelson Mandela Road, making it busy with traffic throughout the day.

The traffic density is particularly high between 8 am and 10 am when school and office-goers hit the road and between 3 pm and 8 pm when schools and offices close for the day. The situation worsens on weekends, with a surge in traffic making it difficult to navigate through this Circle.

Unlike most circles, Millennium Circle is wide, and vehicles coming from Subhash Nagar towards Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Road must compulsorily take a left turn, guided by road dividers. However, the lack of an effective traffic management system adds to the frustration of commuters and pedestrians.

(See CIRCLE on page 6)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 14th July 2024

Siblings bag Hoysala & Keladi Chennamma Awards

Falkia Khan

Hasen Khan

Mysuru, July 14- Falkia Khan, the Brand Ambassador of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and her younger brother Mohammed Hasen Khan, have won Hoysala and Keladi Chenamma Awards for 'Extraordinary Talent Children' given by the Mysuru District Women and Child Development Department.

Falkia Khan is studying 2nd PUC at St. Joseph's PU College in Sathagalli and Mohammed Hasen Khan is a 6th std. student of Presentation Public School, Rammanahalli, Mysuru.

They are the children of Ajaj Ulla Khan, a Granite and Marble Businessman and Farheen Khan, residents of Rajivnagar.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

IT PAYS TO TURN AWAY FROM MEMORY LANE: *To illustrate what memory, or the lack of it, can do, Osho tells us the story of Hua Tzu, a man who was forever happy, feeling light and burden free. But this state of mind came at a price — loss of memory. He had no problems with anyone because he would forget all their misgivings in a short while. There was no anger, aggression, competition, comparison, jealousy, or envy; no need to be clever, nor to be sly, no regrets or guilt. It bothered the people around him. He would receive a gift in the morning and forget about it by the evening; get a gift in the evening and forget about it by the morning. But Hua Tzu was in bliss. He was only living in the present, no recollection of past problems and no future anxiety. Stationed far above mental turbulence, forever sitting by the pool of joy. As that is our natural state when we are shorn of subconscious collection that includes our memories.*

One part of our memory comes from genes we inherit from our biological family. This ancestral property includes physical traits, colour of the eyes and skin, shape of our nose, and even diseases present from birth but lying dormant. Another type of memory that comes with birth is social memory, made of social experiences, including historical events, facts, and stories deemed important by society. Social memory creates numerous perceptions of good and bad, such as the belief that tall and fair-skinned people are good and dark-skinned people are not. Similarly, someone of a different religion might not have wronged you, but you might harbour resentment against them due to social memory.

As long as we are burdened by these memories, we cannot be free to live joyfully.

Most of our spiritual practices are aimed at helping us break loose from the burdens of the past — old habits, perspectives and prejudices. Forgetting or destroying our memories may not be possible, but we can work on being unaffected by them, not allowing them to colour our present behaviour. This is true sannyas. Meeting every moment with a fresh gaze. Practices such as mantra jap, meditation and pranayama can centre us; writing a journal to pour out all that is on the mind can help release our subconscious collection. What can also help is accepting all situations without complaining, as they are meant to help us evolve, and sailing through them by giving our best, and as the Gita says, offering all our actions to the Divine. With this attitude, we feel light. Only when we are light can we go far.

—Mona Mehta in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Curious canine turns on stove, starts fire

Denver: Firefighters in Colorado shared security camera footage from a home where a curious canine investigating some boxes on its owner's stove started a fire.

The Colorado Springs Fire Department said on social media that crews responded to a home on Rushmore Drive on a report of a possible structure fire.

Security camera footage revealed the cause of the blaze was the family dog getting up on its hind legs to investigate some boxes on the stove and accidentally switching on the oven, causing the boxes to catch fire.

The man who put out the kitchen fire was treated for smoke inhalation, and there were no other injuries reported to human or animal residents.

Researchers find unusual crooked fish

Florida: Researchers with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shared an unusual catch from a recent fish survey — a longnose gar with a crooked back.

The FWC's Fish and Wildlife Research Institute said biologists were conducting an electrofishing survey in Silver Glen Springs when they found the 2.7-foot-long gar with a bend in its back making it resemble an upside-down letter V.

Researchers said it evoked memories of a recent discovery of a "squiggly" bull shark caught near Titusville that appeared to have scoliosis or a similar spinal deformity.

With their razor-sharp teeth and armor-like scales, longnose gar may look scary, but they are no threat to humans. The gar, which weighed in at about 10.6 pounds, was returned to the water.

HEALTH CAPSULE

It is not advisable to color, curl and straighten your hair during monsoon

By Dr. Ravi S – Consultant - Dermatology & Cosmetologist
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

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'Yuva Vikasa Sri' Awardee

Chetan Devaraj

Mysuru, July 14 (BS)- Upcoming actor Chetan Devaraj was presented 'Yuva Vikasa Sri' award by Karnataka Rajya Vokkaligara Vikasa Vedike, on account of birth anniversary celebrations of late K.H. Ramaiah recently.

A native of Bettadabeedu village in H.D. Kote taluk in the district, Chetan is the son of Mangalamma and late Devaraj couple. He has been associated with Kannada filmdom as a lyricist and director for the last eight years. He is also socially active and has been involved in 'Nimma Denige-Nimma Shalege' campaign to save Kannada medium schools, by painting buildings and providing assistance for the education of the school children.

He has been also entertaining music-lovers with Kannada album songs through his own 'CD OFFICIAL ADDA' YouTube Channel.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **104.65 feet**	Today's level **2,283.20 feet**	Today's level **2,854.38 feet**
Last year's level **88.78 feet**	Last year's level **2,269.65 feet**	Last year's level **2,841.84 feet**
Yesterday's level **104.60 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,282.91 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,852.39 feet**
Today's Inflow **2,898 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **19,027 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **7,720 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **2,257 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **16,750 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *Octopus blood is blue. It can transport oxygen more efficiently in cold environments with low oxygen levels. The colour comes from high amounts of a copper-based pigment called hemocyanin. Three hearts pump this blue blood: two for the gills and one for the rest of the body.*
- *The octopus extracts oxygen from the water through its gills. It can also breathe through the skin, which absorbs 41% of its oxygen requirements while resting and 33% while swimming.*
- *In 2020, a Japanese seaweed farmer discovered a nine-armed octopus with an extra limb branching off the middle of one arm. Specimens with 36 and 96 arms also emerged in Nagasaki and Matoya Bay.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Gypsy woman (with a crystal ball): *Till the age of forty, you will be unhappy because you will be poor.*
Client: *And then what?*
Gypsy woman: *And then you will get used to it!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 83.52**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 106.08**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 22.74**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 91.21**

VOICE OF THE READER

An appeal to MP Yaduveer: Make Mysuru a Smart City

Sir,

Firstly, I want to congratulate Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar on winning the Lok Sabha election in 2024. The work done by our previous MP, Prathap Simha, for the Railways, Airport and Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway is commendable. I hope Yaduveer will continue other pending development projects.

Some of the requests for our new MP include making Mysuru a Smart City by collaborating with technology companies and institutions. A key starting point is improving public transportation by utilising Central funds.

Our heritage city, Mysuru, needs more buses rather than a Metro Rail or any Ring Road. A common Mysurean, especially the elderly, women and children, does not drive every day and requires good public transportation.

With less than 500 buses operating on the old central hub-and-spoke model, the system is struggling. We need to use pattern maps of people's movements based on cell phone data and introduce quality and frequent buses on these routes using Artificial Intelligence.

Circular routes are another long-pending demand. We should utilise the current Nanjangud and Hassan lines to introduce local trains between Ashokapuram and Belagola, with a new halt station near the RBI on Ring Road.

An air-conditioned MEMU train can operate like a Metro. Once it becomes popular, adding a dedicated line (doubling between Ashokapuram and Ring Road RBI) can be a low-hanging fruit.

—Vasanth Ramu
Mysuru
11.7.2024

Centre to observe June 25 as 'Samvidhaan Hatya Diwas'

New Delhi, July 14 (Agencies)- The Central Government yesterday announced that June 25 will be henceforth observed as 'Samvidhaan Hatya Diwas' as a tribute to all those who suffered and fought against the gross abuse of power during the period of Emergency.

The Government through a Gazette notification dated July 11, 2024 said, "Whereas, a proclamation of Emergency was made on 25th June, 1975, following which there was gross abuse of power by the Government of the day and people of India were subjected to excesses and atrocities."

"And whereas, people of India have abiding faith in the Constitution of India and the power of India's resilient democracy; Therefore, Government of India declares 25th June as "Samvidhaan Hatya Diwas" to pay tribute to all those who suffered and fought against the gross abuse of power during the period of Emergency and to recommit the people of India to not support in any manner such gross abuse of power, in future," the notification said.

Meanwhile, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said that the observance of 'Samvidhaan Hatya Diwas' will help keep the flame of individual freedom and prevent dictatorial forces like the Congress from repeating those horrors. On his social media handle X, the Home Minister said, "On June 25, 1975, the then PM Indira Gandhi, in a brazen display of a dictatorial mindset, strangled the soul of our democracy by imposing the Emergency on the nation. Lakhs of people were thrown behind bars for no fault of their own, and the voice of the media was silenced."

"The Government of India has decided to observe the 25th of June every year as 'Samvidhaan Hatya Diwas.' This day will commemorate the massive contributions of all those who endured the inhuman pains of the 1975 Emergency," Shah said.

AGM of Gokulam Kodava Sangha

Mysuru, July 14- The 18th Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Gokulam Kodava Sangha will be held on Aug. 11 at 10.30 am at Kodava Samaja, Vijayanagar 1st Stage here.

Bottengada Ponnappa, President-in-Charge will preside.

Get-together: The AGM will be followed by a get-together function at 11.30 am. On the occasion, member's children, who have excelled in the field of education for the year 2023-2024 (7th std., 10th std., II PUC, Graduation, Post-Graduation and Technical Courses), will be honoured. Those eligible may submit their marks card and certificate copy before 5 pm on Aug. 8 to the Sangha Secretary.

For more details, contact Sangha Secretary Chendanda Navin on Mob: 94816-02557.

Devaraja Market, Lansdowne Building will be conserved: MP

Questions competence of committee that suggested demolition of these heritage structures

Heritage expert Prof. N.S. Rangaraju explains the historical, archaeological and heritage significance of Oriental Research Institute to MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, UoM Vice-Chancellor (VC) Prof. N.K. Lokanath and others during the heritage walk last evening.

Mysuru, July 14 (PM&BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar has reiterated his commitment to conserving the historic Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Building in the city. He expressed concerns about the expert committee report recommending the demolition of these two heritage structures.

Speaking to reporters after inspecting several heritage buildings as part of a 'heritage walk' yesterday, Yaduveer questioned the qualifications and competence of the committee members who suggested demolition, noting that the committee was constituted in 2022 by the then Mysuru Deputy Commissioner.

Yaduveer emphasised the significant historical value of both Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Building, highlighting the importance of preserving these structures for their unique identity within Mysuru. He reassured that despite the matter being before the Supreme Court, his commitment to their conservation remains strong.

Despite multiple expert committees vouching for the structural stability of these buildings and recommending conservation, the Government has leaned towards demolition and reconstruction. An expert committee constituted at the behest of the High Court of Karnataka, also recommended demolition but lacked heritage specialists and conservation architects. Yaduveer questioned both the composition and competence of this committee.

Both Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Building are over 125 years old and fall under 'Category A' of heritage structures, making them legally protected. Prof. N.S. Rangaraju of Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH), Mysuru, underscored the importance of preserving these landmarks, which contribute to the city's unique identity.

Yaduveer noted that the challenges faced by heritage buildings often involve balancing preservation with practical considerations. While Government-owned buildings can benefit from structured conservation efforts, privately owned structures require collaboration and awareness-building.

Developing comprehensive policies for heritage conservation is essential to ensure the long-term survival of these landmarks, he opined.

Assessment of several heritage structures

During the inspection, Yaduveer assessed several heritage structures affiliated with the University of Mysore (UoM).

Accompanied by UoM VC Prof. N.K. Lokanath and others, Yaduveer visited notable sites, including Crawford Hall, Oriental Research Institute (ORI), Maharaja's College, Yuvaraja's College, Prof. S. Radhakrishnan's Bungalow and Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion.

Some of these buildings require immediate attention due to maintenance issues, such as leaks, while others necessitate comprehensive restoration efforts. Yaduveer stressed the importance of creating a list, assessing each structure's condition and engaging with relevant authorities to ensure effective conservation and restoration.

Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion, a 20th-century Palace acquired by University in the 1950s, currently houses the Folklore Museum but is in a dilapidated state. The Deccan Heritage Foundation has embarked on a four-year restoration project for this historic mansion. Once completed, it will significantly enhance the city's cultural heritage.

Quest for CSR contributions

According to Prof. Lokanath, UoM oversees 25 heritage structures. Given the University's financial limitations, it is exploring various avenues to raise resources, including corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives.

Additionally, Prof. Rangaraju has compiled a list of 12 significant heritage buildings that require immediate attention. This list has been submitted to the Chief Minister and will also be shared with the MP.

The buildings in urgent need of intervention include Maharaja's College, the Ancient History and Archaeology Department of Maharaja's College, Maharaja's College Hostel, CFTRI, Lalitha Mahal Palace and Vasanth Mahal (which houses the teachers' training institute), among others.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Applications invited

Mysuru and Chamarajanagara District Veerashaiva-Lingayata Mathadhipatigala Goshti has invited applications from meritorious students of the community for Pratibha Puraskar for scoring highest marks in SSLC and PUC examinations held during 2023-24 academic year. Last date for submitting the application is on July 31, according to a press release. For details, contact C. Mahadevaprasad on Mob: 94490-30588.

Free Maternity facility extended

As part of Dr. Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji Jayanti celebrations, the JSS hospital has extended the free maternity facility for natural childbirth and caesarean birth facility at discounted bills, till Aug. 31. The members of the public are appealed to make use of this opportunity, according to a press release. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2335555.

CAVA admission

City's Chamarajendra Academy of Visual Arts (CAVA) has invited applications from eligible students for admission to vacant seats in first year Bachelor of Visual Arts (BVA) course, by paying a penalty of Rs. 500. The application fee is Rs. 200 and the last date for applying is July 25. Admission will be based on a written test and interview to be held at 11 am on July 26, according to a press release. For details, call Ph: 0821- 2438931.

Ph.D awardee

B. Vasanth Raj has been awarded Ph.D in Bio-chemistry by the Kuvempu University, Shivamogga, for his thesis 'Screening Characterization and Biological Properties of Latex Lectins from Different Species of Artocarpus' [Guide: Dr. G.J. Sathisha]

Man goes missing

Mandya, July 14- Ranganath, a resident of Nodekoppal village in Pandavapura taluk, who left his house on June 6, has since gone missing.

The missing person is speech and hearing impaired. Those having any information about the missing person may contact Mob: 99006-68080, according to a press release.

Mega Lok Adalat in city

55 cases disposed of

Mysuru, July 14 (MTY&DM)- The mega Lok Adalat held in city and District Courts yesterday, saw disposal of 55 cases, involving a total loan repayment of Rs. 22.84 crore.

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge Ravindra Hegde demonstrated compassion and justice by meeting aged women litigants at City Court building's portico to obtain their signature on the settlement order in a commercial dispute case.

A developer had borrowed Rs.17 crore from 16 different individuals before he met an untimely death nearly two years ago. Subsequently, the lenders knocked on the doors of the deceased borrower's mother seeking to return their investment. But she refused to pay them on request saying that she won't repay the loans borrowed by her late son.

Later, each of the 16 lenders petitioned the Court seeking their investment back from the developer's wife, son and mother. The case had been pending in the Court for the last one-and half-year and it was finally settled through a compromise with parties agreeing to end the dispute, following counselling by the Principal District and Sessions Judge Ravindra Hegde.

Principal District and Sessions Judge Ravindra Hegde** (second from right) **seen getting the document signed by an elder woman petitioner at the portico of the Mysore Law Court Complex in city yesterday.

In another instance, Judge Ravindra Hegde climbed down the stairs to obtain the signatures of the parties when two elderly women litigants faced a challenge in reaching the courtroom due to their advanced age and inability to climb the stairs to the Court Hall on the first floor. The Judge read out the compromise petitions, documented their consent and then obtained their signature on the papers. Nagarathna A. Rao, an 81-year old woman petitioner agreed and signed on the order, sitting inside her car, to receive Rs. 1.73 crore and another petitioner too agreed to receive Rs. 3.65 crore as settlement .

Judge Hegde told reporters that 55 cases, including the 16 related to a developer , were disposed of in the Court during the day-long Mega Lok Adalat, which saw a settlement of loan repayments amounting to Rs. 22.84 crore. He thanked the advocates of plaintiffs and defendants and Mysore Bar Association members for their co-operation.

District Legal Services Authority Member- Secretary B.G. Dinesh, First Additional District and Sessions Judge D. Puttaswamy were present.

Students must focus on fast-paced careers: Dr. Shalini Rajaneesh

Additional Chief Secretary Dr. Shalini Rajneesh** (fifth from right) **releasing a book titled 'Mukta Bhandara' at the valedictory ceremony of the training camp for KAS and other competitive examinations as** (from left) **Coordinator Jainahalli Satyanarayanagowda, KSOU Registrar Prof. B. Praveena, IFS Officer Manoj Rajan, KSOU VC Prof. Sharanapapa V. Halse, Dean Prof. N. Lakshmi, KSOU Dean - Study Centres Ramanatham Naidu and Registrar (Evaluation) Dr. H. Viswanath look on.

Mysuru, July 14 (TRR)- "Students must focus on their careers as the present world is moving on a fast pace with competitions increasing in every field," said Dr. Shalini Rajneesh, Additional Chief Secretary to the Karnataka Government.

She was speaking at the valedictory ceremony of the training camp for aspirants of KAS and other competitive examinations organised by the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Competitive Examinations Training Centre at KSOU's Cauvery auditorium, Muktagangothri, here recently.

"Students must have clarity about their goals. While, training helps in personality development, it is important to be in pursuit of opportunities. It is encouraging that an increasing number of girls are attending training classes to face competitive examinations," she said and added that there was a significant difference between the present time and the time when she appeared for the competitive examination. Presently, there are number of training classes and study material is available. However, it also important to remember that whatever learnt in colleges and universities might not be directly useful for the examination," she said.

Observing that the present generation is witnessing many changes in learning and training, she noted that more books are now available in libraries. "Spending more time in libraries, following a timetable are important. While some people get through the competitive examination the others don't. Most important is to have a Plan B," said the senior IAS officer.

A book titled 'Mukta Bhandara' was released on the occasion.

IFS Officer Manoj Rajan, KSOU VC Prof. Sharanapapa V. Halse, Registrar Prof. K.B. Praveena, Dean Prof. N. Lakshmi, Registrar(Examinations) Dr. H. Vishwanath, IPS Officer Geeta Prasanna, Dr. Ramanatham Naidu (KSOU Dean, Study Centres), Coordinator Jainahalli Satyanarayanagowda, and others were present.

Wimbledon Championship 2024

Barbora Krejcikova wins women's singles title

London, July 14 (Agencies)- Barbora Krejcikova of Czech Republic defeated Jasmine Paolini of Italy 6-2, 2-6, 6-4 in a thrilling three-set finale to win her maiden Wimbledon women's singles title, yesterday.

Krejcikova, seeded 31, an unexpected finalist, showcased her tenacity and skill, particularly in the decisive set, to add this Wimbledon title to her 2021 French Open victory. In a nail-biting conclusion, she saved two break points in the final game before sealing the win on her third Championship point. Paolini demonstrated remarkable resilience by bouncing back in the second set to force a decider. Despite her spirited effort, her hopes of becoming the first Italian woman to win the Wimbledon singles title were dashed after she conceded a critical break with a double fault in the final set.

Meanwhile, American-Czech pair of Taylor Townsend and Katerina Siniakova beat Canadian Gabriela Dabrowski and New Zealand's Erin Routliffe 7-6(5) 7-6(1) to win the women's doubles title. In the men's doubles Britain's Henry Patten and Finland's Harri Heliovaara overcame Australian pair of Max Purcell and Jordan Thompson 6-7(7) 7-6(8) 7-6(11-9) in an absorbing final to clinch their first grand slam doubles title.

Today's matches will feature second seed Novak Djokovic taking on third seed Carlos Alcaraz in what is the repeat of last year's finals. Last year, Alcaraz defeated in Djokovic in a thrilling final 1-6, 7-6, 6-1, 3-6, 6-4 to win his maiden title. In the mixed doubles, Unseeded S. Gonzalez and G. Olmos of Italy will take on seventh seed pair Poland's J. Zielinski and Taiwan's S. Hsieh at the Centre Court.

Kate Middleton to attend

The Princess of Wales, Kate Middleton, will attend the Wimbledon men's final this evening to present the winner's trophy, Kensington Palace said.

Contingency plans had been put in place for the Duchess of Gloucester, an Hon. President of Lawn Tennis Association for 25 years, to step in if the Princess of Wales was unavailable due to her ongoing preventative cancer treatment. Kate, 42, was last seen in public watching Trooping The Colour last month.

Barbora Krejcikova of the Czech Republic posing with her trophy after defeating Jasmine Paolini of Italy in the women's singles final at the Wimbledon Tennis Championships in London on July 13, 2024.

WIMBLEDON

TODAY'S MATCHES (JULY 14)
FINALS

MEN'S SINGLES
(2) N. Djokovic **Vs** (3) C. Alcaraz **6.30 pm**

MIXED DOUBLES
(7) J. Zielinski / S. Hsieh **Vs** S. Gonzalez / G.Olmos **8.30 pm**

Catch the live action on
Star Sports Network and Disney+Hotstar

American-Czech pair of Taylor Townsend and Katerina Siniakova, who won women's doubles title in the Wimbledon 2024, defeating Canadian Gabriela Dabrowski and New Zealand's Erin Routliffe in the finals today, posing with their trophies.

Britain's Henry Patten and Finland's Harri Heliovaara posing with Wimbledon men's doubles trophies, after beating Australian pair of Max Purcell and Jordan Thompson in the finals yesterday.

CII to host 'Integrate 24' in Mysuru on July 18

The day-long event aims to boost Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

Mysuru, July 14 (BCT)- The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Karnataka, is organising 'Integrate 24,' an Exhibition & Conference on Buyer Seller Meet, to boost the growth and sustainability of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) on July 18, in Mysuru.

The event will feature sessions addressing crucial aspects of MSME development, with over 100 delegates expected to attend from Karnataka and neighbouring States.

The inaugural session, themed **'The Growth Engines of the Indian Economy,'** will explore the pivotal role of MSMEs in fostering economic development, job creation and inclusive growth.

Speakers from the Industries and Commerce Department, Government of Karnataka, CII National MSME Council, CII Karnataka State Council, and other companies will share strategic insights into accelerating the growth trajectory of MSMEs.

The first session will focus on **'Opportunities & Requirements for MSME Growth,'** where the panel will discuss procurement needs and the creation of a robust ecosystem for local suppliers, accelerating India's journey towards becoming a global manufacturing hub.

The second session, **'Unlocking the Potential of Industry 4.0 & Low-Cost Automation for MSMEs,'** will address how MSMEs in Karnataka must adapt to the transformative changes brought about by Industry 4.0.

Digital transformation offers solutions by leveraging technology to enhance operational efficiency, productivity and overall business performance, ensuring continued competitiveness and sustainability in the ever-evolving global economic scenario.

Discussions on opportunities for MSMEs to make the local ESDM and Auto Components sectors competitive will be highlighted in the third session, **'Opportunities for MSME: Focus Sectors that Enhance Domestic Production Capabilities.'**

The fourth session, **'Enhancing MSME Competitiveness through Bridging the Financial Gap,'** will address the financial challenges faced by MSMEs and explore solutions to bridge the financial gap.

Talent management is a crucial subject in today's competitive world. The importance of talent management in ensuring the sustained growth and competitiveness of MSMEs will be covered in the fifth session, **'Talent Acquisition Challenges of Growth for MSMEs: Managing and Building a Workforce of the Future.'**

The sixth session, **'MSME Growth Insights: Leveraging Government Schemes & Policy Dialogue on EODB for MSMEs,'** aims for a dynamic interaction among MSMEs, industry experts and Government agencies to address challenges related to ease of doing business, finance, domestic trade, public procurement and export competitiveness.

N. Venu, Chairman of the CII Karnataka State Council and Managing Director & CEO of India & South Asia, Hitachi Energy, said, "MSMEs play a vital role in our country's growth. This sector contributes significantly towards employment, innovation and economic development. The idea behind Integrate 24 is to help MSMEs meet, network and explore new avenues and technologies."

For more information about this initiative, contact M. Guruprasad at *guruprasad.m@cii.in* or Mob: 70199-67945.

Direct interview for Postal Insurance Agents appointment on July 29

Mysuru, July 14- The Postal Department, Mysuru, will be conducting a direct interview for appointment of Postal Insurance Agents for delivering Postal Insurance and Rural Postal Insurance to members of the public, at the Office of the Senior Postal Superintendent, near Akashavani Circle, Yadavagiri, at 11 am on July 29.

The candidates must have passed SSLC and be in the age group of 18 to 50 years. Only candidates from Mysuru city and taluk, Hunsur, Periyapatna, H.D. Kote and K.R. Nagar taluks can attend the interview on July 29.

Preference will be given for candidates who have experience in Insurance selling and with computer knowledge. For details, contact K.N. Kirankumar on Mob: 97405-03460, according to a press release.

MUDA 50:50 site scam

Corner sites in prime layouts across city misallocated causing financial loss

Mysuru, July 14 (RK&BCT)- In a significant revelation, prime corner sites in various localities within Mysuru city, which were reserved to generate revenue for the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), have been misallocated under the 50:50 site allotment scam.

These spacious corner sites, strategically located on both sides of the road at various prime layouts, were intended to be valuable assets for MUDA.

The inquiry panel led by IAS Officer R. Venkatachalapathy, Commissioner of Urban Development Authorities and Town and Country Planning, has uncovered this aspect in an ongoing probe into the alleged scam at MUDA.

The investigation has revealed that these prime sites were distributed to unauthorised persons under the 50:50 scheme, bypassing their intended purpose as revenue-generating properties. This misallocation has caused significant financial loss due to the ineffective use of these valuable lands.

Role of officials and intermediaries

In the past, MUDA had successfully converted some of these prestigious residential layouts in Mysuru city into revenue-generating corner sites, earning hundreds of crores of rupees.

However, the current investigation has brought to light that some officials and intermediaries have amassed hundreds of crores of rupees by allocating these corner sites in prestigious residential layouts previously developed by MUDA.

The shocking details have exposed how the authority has been financially drained by unscrupulous elements. These activities have resulted in significant financial losses for MUDA by distributing corner sites as compensation for the development of very low-value land at a 50:50 ratio.

Lower-level officials identified vacant corner sites, compiled lists, and, without bringing these to the attention of the MUDA Board meeting, recorded them in the files and unilaterally allocated hundreds of plots as compensation.

This was done without proper authorisation. Special land acquisition officers, through intermediaries, called landowners and allocated plots, as revealed in the probe.

Names of deceased misused

In some cases, even when the original landowners were deceased, other individuals with the same name were brought in, lured with small amounts of money, and given a General Power of Attorney (GPA).

These individuals were then allocated the plots, and they later registered the plots in their own names. This entire scheme has brought MUDA to the brink of bankruptcy. Previously, some officials had created fake documents and sold plots to anyone who wanted them. Many of those involved have since retired.

As the investigation continues, there is a growing demand for reviewing the records from the tenure of these officials and taking appropriate action against those involved in this extensive scam.

Report in 15 days?

Meanwhile, the inquiry committee is expected to submit its report within 15 days and the members have reportedly secured all relevant documents and have stored them in a designated room on the MUDA office premises.

This room has been sealed to restrict access, and the committee is thoroughly assessing the documents in this secured location. The committee has already instructed officials and staff not to take leave and to be available whenever called for questioning.

Kannada is facing globalisation challenges: Prof. Rajendra Chenni

Mysuru, July 14 (BLU&DM)- Former Kuvempu University English Department faculty Prof. Rajendra Chenni highlighted the challenges Kannada faces in the era of globalisation and rapidly advancing technology.

He was delivering a talk on 'Formation of Karnataka State,' organised by Mysore Open Forum, at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium in Vijayanagar here this morning.

Prof. Chenni detailed how Kannada was introduced to computers over four decades ago but now confronts new threats from Artificial Intelligence (AI), which could undermine its relevance. He noted that only 25 percent of the population in Bengaluru speaks Kannada, raising concerns about how the language can thrive in an AI-driven landscape.

Prof. Rajendra Chenni delivering a talk in city this morning.

Replying to a question about how Kannada could be more widely integrated into scientific discourse, Prof. Chenni noted that it is currently challenging to effectively blend Kannada (Sammilitha) with science due to the rapid evolution of new words and definitions.

He also explored the historical formation of Karnataka, stating that the erstwhile Mysore Kingdom was fragmented for centuries. However, the unification of Mysore State in 1956, which was later renamed Karnataka in 1973, played a crucial role in bringing together the scattered Kannada-speaking population.

Prof. Chenni also chronicled the status of Kannada during the British era, tracing its development and the challenges faced throughout the periods of Madras Presidency, Mumbai Karnataka and Hyderabad Karnataka.

He emphasised that the historical text 'Kaviraja Marga' illustrates the growth of the Kannada language and the transformations it has undergone since British rule.

Smooth traffic remains a mirage at Millennium Circle

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Vehicles from Nelson Mandela Road and JSS Medical College, coming in opposite directions, must pass through Millennium Circle, as do vehicles from Fountain Circle, sometimes leading to confusion.

Risk of reckless riders

Amid this, reckless riders pose a significant threat, ignoring traffic rules. Accidents, mostly non-fatal, involving heavy motor vehicles and two-wheelers have become common.

The Traffic Police deployed at this busy Circle often find themselves helpless, only rushing to the scene during accidents. It would be unfair to blame the lone officer, as the circle requires more attention, at least to check traffic rule violations. Treble-riding two-wheelers and helmetless riders navigate freely, without fear of being caught.

However, whenever there is VIP movement, Police handle the convoy efficiently, with officers in the cadre of either Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) or Sub-Inspector (SI) supervising the traffic arrangements.

A similar system should be in place on other days to regulate traffic movement by deploying young and energetic policemen and utilising surveillance cameras to address traffic-related issues to some extent. Vehicle riders demand that the new City Police Commissioner inspect the spot and take steps to address this urgent issue.

Inspection and scientific measures

"Scientific measures will be taken to regulate traffic at Millennium Circle, with cameras already installed to monitor and take action against traffic offences. Further measures will be discussed with higher officials, including conducting spot inspections, building scientific road humps or installing barricades, along with deploying more personnel."

—Parashuramappa, ACP (Traffic)

Mehkri Circle Model Mooted

A senior Government Medical Officer, residing in Rajivnagar, has suggested building an underpass or flyover at Millennium Circle, similar to Mehkri Circle (named after Enayathullah Mehkri) in Bengaluru, to ease traffic movement.

The Millennium Circle is in a low-lying area, and traffic density peaks after dusk, with two-wheeler riders often riding haphazardly to avoid going around the circle island. Some two-wheelers also lack number plates, highlighting the need for effective measures to regulate traffic violations.

Govt. employees Assn. warns of strike from July 29 if demands not met

Newly elected MLC K. Vivekananda being felicitated by the district unit of Karnataka State Government Employees Association at a programme held at Kalamandira in city yesterday.

Mysuru, July 14 (GA&DM)- Karnataka State Government Employees Association President C.S. Shadakshari said that the employees will abstain from offices from July 29 if the State Government does not meet their demands by then.

He was speaking at the greeting of newly elected people representatives and Pratibha Puraskara programme organised by the District Unit of State Government Employees Association at Kalamandira here on Saturday.

Pointing out that Government employees have played a key role in the State getting the second ranking in the list of GST collection by States, Shadakshari said that the employees are also playing an important role in the implementation of Guarantee schemes. Despite this, there are speculations that the Government might not agree to pay 27.5 percent fitment to the employees as recommended by the 7th Pay Commission, which is not at all acceptable, he said.

Noting that the employees have been criticising the Government and as well as the Association in social networks, Shadakshari said that he can no more hear the allegations that he has compromised with the Government.

Maintaining that the Government has been given enough time to implement the recommendations of the 7th Pay Commission, he said the Government is also dilly dallying on issues such as re-introduction of Old Pension Scheme(OPS) and Arogya Sanjeevini Health Insurance scheme. He warned that the Government will have to face the consequences if it drags on the fulfilment of the Association's demands.

Earlier, newly elected MLC K. Vivekananda who inaugurated the programme and MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar were greeted on the occasion. Vivekananda personally donated Rs.1 lakh for Pratibha Puraskara on the occasion.

Speaking after being greeted, MP Yaduveer said that taking forward the locally rich culture and progressive thoughts was among his priorities. Noting that bettering the lives of citizens is the job that is ahead of him, he stressed that it is important to support PM Modi in his endeavour to make the country 'Viksit Bharat' by the year 2047. Asserting that he would give all the support that he can in realising this Mission of the PM, he declared that he would go through the demands of Government Employees Association and support suitably.

About 350 meritorious children of the Association members who scored high marks in SSLC and PUC were presented Pratibha Puraskar.

Association Office-bearers Govindaraju, M.V. Rudrappa, T. Srinivas, Siddaramanna, Mallikarjun Ballari, L.L. Umesh, Revanna and others were present.

Transfer order issued in the name of a dead engineer!

Urban Development Department turns itself into a laughing stock

Ashok

Madikeri, July 14 (PS&DM)- In an apparent faux pas, the Urban Development Department has turned itself into a laughing stock by transferring a Junior Engineer who died six months ago.

Ashok Bhimaraya Putapak, who was serving as a Junior Engineer at Sedam Town Municipal Council in Kalaburagi district, was recently (July 9) transferred by the Government to the Madikeri City Municipal Council (CMC) in Kodagu district. However, Ashok passed away six months ago on Jan. 12 due to severe illness. Adding to the embarrassment, this mistake occurred in the Sedam Assembly constituency, which is represented by Medical Education Minister Dr. Sharanprakash Patil.

This incident raises questions about whether the Urban Development Department or the Government was unaware of Ashok Putapak's death, which occurred six months ago.

Kerala youth killed in accident near new Nanjangud flyover

Nanjangud, July 14 (HSC&KS)- A two-wheeler rider was killed on the spot while the pillion rider sustained minor injuries when a KSRTC bus hit the bike and ran over the rider near the new Nanjangud flyover this morning.

The deceased has been identified as Sharath (23), son of Prakash Manjeri, a B.Sc. student and a resident of Malappuram district in Kerala. The injured is Jinu, son of Ayub, also a B.Sc. student from the same district.

According to the Police, Sharath and Jinu were travelling on their Royal Enfield bike (KL-10-AY-9592) from Kerala towards Mysuru, while the KSRTC bus (KA-10-F-0128) was also heading towards Mysuru.

As Sharath and Jinu were taking a turn towards the new flyover, the KSRTC bus, which was also turning, reportedly brushed against the bike, causing Sharath to fall on the road. The bus then ran over him, killing him on the spot.

Nanjangud Traffic Police rushed to the scene and shifted the body to the Government Hospital mortuary. They also registered a case. Witnesses said that Jinu, who sustained minor injuries, was taken away by his relatives.

Kill bid on Donald Trump

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"A suspected shooter fired multiple shots at former President Trump's campaign rally in Butler, Pennsylvania, on July 13, from an elevated position outside the venue," the U.S. Secret Service stated in a press release.

"U.S. Secret Service personnel neutralised the shooter, who is now deceased. The Secret Service quickly implemented protective measures, and the former president is safe and being evaluated," the statement continued.

On his social media platform Truth Social, Trump said, "I was shot with a bullet that pierced the upper part of my right ear. I knew immediately that something was wrong when I heard the whizzing sound and felt the bullet ripping through my skin. There was significant bleeding, so I realised what was happening."

Shockingly, such an act can occur in our country. Nothing is known at this time about the shooter, who is now deceased, Trump added. Law enforcement sources told the media that the shooter was positioned on a building rooftop just outside the rally venue.

The suspect involved has been identified as Thomas Matthew Crooks, according to a statement from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The FBI reported that the 20-year-old is the "subject involved" in the incident at the Republican rally in Butler, Pennsylvania.

Thomas Matthew Crooks was a resident of Bethel Park, Pennsylvania, and state voter records indicate he was a registered Republican.

PM Modi expresses concern

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed deep concern over the assassination attempt on 'my friend' former President Donald Trump and strongly condemned the incident. In a post on X, the Prime Minister wished Trump a speedy recovery and stated that violence has no place in politics and democracies.

"Deeply concerned by the attack on my friend, former President Donald Trump. I strongly condemn the incident. Violence has no place in politics and democracies. I wish him a speedy recovery. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of the deceased, those injured, and the American people."

100 bikers ride to Srirangapatna

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Once manufactured by Ideal Jawa (India) Ltd. in Yadavagiri, the Mysuru factory produced some of the most coveted two-wheelers during the 60s, 70s, and 80s. Production ceased in 1981, and the site remained abandoned until it was auctioned off in 2001.

The rally united Jawa and Yezdi fans, bike owners, mechanics and enthusiasts, paying homage to the rich heritage of these legendary machines.

As the engines roared and the motorcycles cruised towards Srirangapatna, the event served as a true testament to the lasting legacy of Jawa in the hearts of motorcycle aficionados.

Over a cup of evening Tea

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Dr. M.M. Basavaraju

An Impressive & Admirable Innings

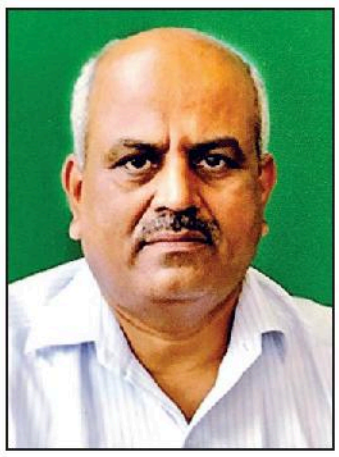
My last two articles were about two doctors and two events that destiny brought them face to face, which had two vastly varying outcomes. Yes, destiny is unescapable, which is why perhaps the adage that **'Man proposes and God disposes'** has stood the test of time.

The Roman politician and philosopher Cicero has very rightly said: **'Fate leads the willing and drags the unwilling.'** Cicero believed that the laws of nature were more important than the laws of men and governments. He believed in destiny and his life too ended by the destiny he believed in, without him being able to control what happened to him or his fortunes.

In the months following the assassination of **Julius Caesar** in 44BCE, **Marcus Tullius Cicero** delivered several speeches urging the senate to support Caesar in his struggle against **Mark Anthony.** But, when Mark Antony and Caesar reconciled and became friends, for a brief while, Cicero himself was sidelined, as it happens in politics, even now. He was in fact murdered by a soldier, on the orders of Mark Antony, who could shake hands with his former opponent but could not forgive someone who was just his supporter. Yes, that is how destiny plays with the lives of people!

Now, coming back to the present, it's a coincidence that I am writing once again about another doctor who, without any dispute, stands out tall, for the kind of service he has rendered to society. It goes without saying that when we talk of a doctor's life and work, we invariably expect it to be one of utmost dedication and selfless service to society, very often entailing stepping far beyond one's own comfort zone and call of duty. This is what society expects from all doctors, across the world and this is what it hopes to see, in its best possible form, in every one of them.

Whether it succeeds in seeing this and whether most doctors live up to this expectation or not, is a different matter, open to debate or even conjecture!



Dr. M.M. Basavaraju

> The higher we are placed, the more humbly we should walk and Dr. Basavaraju has made this his motto in life.

The man I am writing about today is **Dr. M.M. Basavaraju,** a physician, who after a multi-faceted tenure of thirty-seven years in government service, very recently retired as the Professor and Head of the Department of Medicine at the **Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI)** here in our city.

Many incumbents hold posts like these, serve their designated tenures and demit them, unnoticed and unremembered. That is, unless they do something extraordinary or noteworthy, which makes them endeared to people around them, who remember them and their work, long after they hang up their boots.

Dr. Basavaraju was one such man, worthy of being remembered as a humble and hard-working soul, with a conscience that remained alive and guided him all through his working life. Workers like him are very rare, especially in government service, where accountability takes a back seat because most of the time no one questions how they work. **That is why, government service is considered the best career option by all those who look forward to an easy and undemanding life.**

Now, this may raise the hackles of a vast majority of those serving in government jobs, but this is the steadfast opinion of the vast majority of those who stand and wring their hands helplessly, with expectations of seeing them work with more commitment and honesty!

But all those who saw Dr. Basavaraju at work had just one thing to say in unison: this was an exemplary government servant who always did his duty and much more, with a rare kind of commitment and honesty. His colleagues used to see him doing the rounds an hour before he was duty-bound to start his work and they used to see him still at work long after it was time for him to go home.

Every one of them, I spoke to, said that he was a most helpful and cordial colleague with whom they could get along well, irrespective of whether they were his superiors or subordinates. Most notably, during the COVID-19 time when he was the Nodal Officer, he was at his best in this respect when they were all going though the most stressful time of their working life.

And, all his patients, at every one of the hospitals where he worked, used to feel that they were very fortunate and blessed to have such a kind-hearted and noble soul, to relieve them of their suffering and pain, under the roof of a most ordinary government hospital, where facilities are not their best. This only shows that it is not the setup but the persons who are at the helm of affairs who can make the difference between success and failure.

Now that this most modest man has shown us with his impeccable track record, how true this can be, let us all wish him and his family a life of happy and contented retirement, with happy memories to keep him company in the years to come. **Incidentally, it was Cicero again, who said: The higher we are placed, the more humbly we should walk and Dr. Basavaraju has made this his motto in life!**

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World Plastic Surgery Day at MMC&RI tomorrow

Mysuru, July 14 (KS)- The Department of Plastic Surgery, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI), as part of World Plastic Surgery Day celebration, has organised a day-long Continuing Medical Education (CME) programme at its premises on July 15 from 9.45 am. The CME will help in spreading awareness about Plastic Surgery to Mysureans. Speakers include Plastic Surgeons from various hospitals in Mysuru and Bengaluru.

Also a Skin Bank, the most needed facility for burns patients, will also be implemented in MMC&RI on the occasion.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar will attend the programme.

'Nam Company' Akashavani series

Mysuru, July 14- Akashavani, Mysuru, in association with Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Mysore (UoM) and Vikasana Grameena Haagu Nagarabhivruddhi Samsthe, Mandya, will launch 'Nam Company' (Our Company), a broadcast series on empowerment of Farmer Producer Organisations, on July 15 at 10.30 am at B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Studies on Hunsur road in the city.

CFTRI Director Dr. Sridevi Annapoorna Singh will inaugurate the programme, while Mysore Akashavani Deputy Director S.S. Umesh will preside. UoM VC Prof. N.K. Loknath will release the schedule of 'Nam Company' broadcast, while Kodagu University VC Ashok Alur will deliver keynote address.

Rotary fetes Doctors and CA

As a first community project this Rotary year, Rotary Club of Mysore Brindavan celebrated Doctors and CA Day by honouring in-house doctors and hearing their journey of success at a function recently. IPDG Rtn. H.R. Keshav, who was the chief guest, did the honours. *Sitting from left:* ***Rtn. Sham Prasad - Chartered Accountant (CA), Rtn. Dr. Sowmya, IPDG Rtn. H.R. Keshav, Rtn. Dr. Virupaksha and Dr. Hemant Patel are seen with*** *(standing from left - top row)* ***Rtn. Mahendra, Rtn. Mahantesh, Rtn. Ramamurthy, Rtn. Subbaraya and Rtn. Sriprakash Hansoge;*** *(2nd row)* ***Rtn. Naipunya, Rtn. Sreenidhi Murthy, Rtn. Harish Kulkarni, Rtn. Chandrakanth, Club President Rtn. Nagesh, Rtn. Manjunath, Rtn. Mahesh, Rtn. Krishna Bhat, Rtn. Rakesh Jain and Rtn. Sridhar.***

VVCE signs MoU to enhance industry-readiness of students

Ashok G. Gadavi, Chief Officer - R&D and Industrial Collaborations, VVCE, Ayesha Taranum, Associate Professor, CSE, Prasanna, Arctictern, Bengaluru, H.S. Hallikeri, Director, Arctictern, B. Sadashive Gowda, Principal, VVCE and others seen during the signing of MoU recently.

Mysuru, July 14- Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Mysuru, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Arctictern IT Solutions and Consultancy.

This collaboration will provide an opportunity in the field of automotive software for both faculty members and students to receive training from industry experts.

This MoU will also enhance the industry-readiness of students, equipping them with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in their professional careers.

MUDA 50:50 site scam

Guv must permit prosecution of CM Siddaramaiah: HDK

'Process of land registration for Siddaramaiah's wife took place at Jaladarshini Guest House in 2020'

Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy addressing media yesterday as former Minister Bandeppa Kashempur look on.

Bengaluru, July 14 (KMS& VNS)- Union Minister for Steel and Heavy Industries H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) has accused Chief Minister Siddaramaiah of direct involvement in the MUDA scam. Addressing the media yesterday, Kumaraswamy claimed that land gifted to Parvathi, Siddaramaiah's wife, was denotified in 1998 when Siddaramaiah was the Deputy Chief Minister.

Kumaraswamy stated that Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot should permit the prosecution of Siddaramaiah in the scam, asserting that the truth will only unfold, and the guilty will be punished if the matter is heard in Court.

Process from 1992

"There have been similar cases reported in the State. Claiming ownership of the encroached MUDA land is an offence. The 3.16-acre land in question belonged to Ninga alias Javara. The land was acquired by MUDA, for which Rs. 3.26 lakh was paid to the landowner. The preliminary notification was issued in 1992, and the final notification was made in 1998. When Siddaramaiah was the Deputy Chief Minister, a khata was made in the name of one Devaraj, following which the land was denotified," he added.

In 2004, one Mallikarjuna Swamy bought the land from Devaraj and applied for the then Deputy Commissioner seeking the conversion of the agricultural land for the formation of a residential layout. The land conversion was done without the DC or any officers visiting the site. Soon after the land conversion, Mallikarjuna Swamy transferred the land to his sister Parvathi in a gift deed, said Kumaraswamy.

Stating that the land had been registered as agricultural land, the Union Minister said that Siddaramaiah had not declared the land to the Election Commission in his affidavit filed in 2013.

"In 2014, Siddaramaiah's family members wrote to MUDA demanding compensation, accusing it of encroaching on their land for layout formation. Following this, a series of meetings were held in MUDA, and the officials, under pressure, transferred the 14 plots, violating the laws, to Siddaramaiah's family members in 2020. The registration process was done at Jaladarshini Guest House in the presence of the Sub-Registrar," he added.

Citing a gross violation of the law, the Union Minister said that as per MUDA bylaws, alternative lands had to be allocated in the same layout where the land was acquired. However, the authority had allocated alternative 14 plots in a developed area.

Reiterating that Governor Gehlot should permit the prosecution of CM Siddaramaiah upon any legal expert applying, Kumaraswamy alleged that the said scam in MUDA had occurred when Siddaramaiah was in power.

Vedike extends support to CM

Mysuru, July 14 (GA&VNS)- Hindulida Vargagala Jagruthi Vedike has extended its support to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah in the alleged MUDA scam. In round table conference held at a private hotel yesterday, the Vedike accused the BJP of conspiracy and added it was important to stand with Siddaramaiah and protest against the Opposition parties.

Speaking on the occasion, Vedike President K. Shivaramu said that BJP, not tolerating Siddaramaiah's growth, was hatching plans to dethrone Siddaramaiah as the Chief Minister and added, the plots allocated to Siddaramaiah's wife Parvathi was legal.

"Both BJP and JD(S) have been targeting CM Siddaramaiah who has been working for the welfare of the dalits, minorities and backward communities," he said and accused BJP State President B.Y. Vijayendra and former CM B.S. Yediyurappa of being the brainchild behind the MUDA Scam since it had occurred when BJP was at the helm of affairs.

District Congress Committee President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, Prof. K.S. Bhagwan, former Rangayana Director Janardhan, Dalit Sangharsha Samithi Convenor Yogesh Uppar, Ravinandan, Lokesh Madapura and others were present.

Woman, son killed in accident on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway

They were on their way to Bengaluru after offering Ashada puja atop Chamundi Hill

Maddur, July 14 (KS)- A woman and her son were killed on the spot, while her daughter and son-in-law sustained serious injuries after their car crashed into a road divider on the Rudrakshipura By-pass Road on the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway on Friday.

The family had visited Chamundi Hill to perform Ashada puja and were returning to Bengaluru when the accident occurred. The deceased have been identified as Kala (40) and her son Darshan (21). The injured are Kala's daughter, 23-year-old Megha and son-in-law Manjunath. All are natives of Kunigal in Tumakuru district and residing in Bagalakunte, Bengaluru.

The injured were rushed to Maddur Government Hospital for first aid before being transferred to MIMS Hospital in Mandya for further treatment.

The family, devotees of Goddess Chamundeshwari, had come to Chamundi Hill in Mysuru for the Ashada month rituals and had the darshan of the presiding deity. After performing the puja, they set off for Bengaluru.

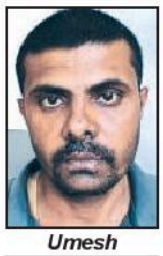
While travelling on the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, their car crashed into the road divider, killing Kala and Darshan on the spot and seriously injuring Megha and Manjunath. Preliminary Police reports indicate that Manjunath was driving the car and that rash driving was the cause of the accident.

Maddur Traffic Police rushed to the scene, conducted a mahazar (spot inspection), registered a case and moved the deceased to the mortuary in Maddur. They also transported the injured to the hospital.

The Police seized the car, which was completely damaged in the crash.

Pandavapura female foeticide case

One more arrested for facilitating racket



Umesh

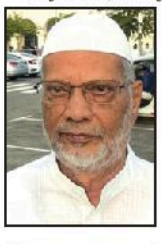
Pandavapura, July 14- Pandavapura Police have arrested another suspect in connection with the female foeticide (illegal abortion) case. He has been sent to judicial custody. The accused, identified as Umesh from Hiremarali village in the taluk, was involved in facilitating illegal abortions at a guest house located behind the Taluk Health Officer's Office in Pandavapura.

According to the Police, Umesh identified women seeking abortions and introduced them to Shruthi and Asha, who had already been arrested and sent to jail.

Recently, a woman from Devegowdanakoppal underwent an illegal abortion, which took place at Umesh's house. Acting on available clues, a Police team, led by Sub-Inspector R.B. Umesh, arrested the accused and handed him over to judicial custody.

Obituary

Alhaj Riyaz Ahmed



Mysuru, July 14- Alhaj Riyaz Ahmed, retired Nagamangala Govt. College Principal and a resident of No. 769, 3rd Cross, 3rd Main, S.S. Nagar, passed away this morning following brief illness at a private hospital in city.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held today at after Zohar (1.30 pm) at Masjid-e-Rifah, Apna Ghar at S.S. Nagar, followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle, according to family sources.

WORD OF THE DAY

Eclectic

Pronunciation: ih-KLEK-tik (Adjective)
Meaning: Something described as eclectic, such as a collection or a person's tastes, includes things taken from many different sources.
Origin: Eclectic comes from the Greek adjective eklektikos, meaning "picking out, selecting what appears to be best," which in turn comes from the verb eklegein, meaning "to select." Eclectic was originally applied to ancient philosophers who were not committed to any single system of philosophy but instead selected whichever doctrines pleased them from every school of thought. Later, the word's use broadened to cover other selective natures, as well as the use of elements drawn from different sources. For instance, a museum with an eclectic collection may showcase pieces from a variety of styles and periods and in different media. Similarly, a person may be said to have eclectic tastes if they enjoy a broad range, rather than a single genre, of film, music, literature, etc.
Example: "Known for its eclectic, international flavour and its status as a bar crawl destination, this neighbourhood has landed some of the city's most respected restaurants in recent years. Go to Keren for Eritrean breakfast, Lucky Buns for top-notch burgers, Lapis for refined Afghan dishes, the Game for Filipino bar food, Green Zone for Middle Eastern-flavoured cocktails, and Tail Up Goat for Mediterranean toasts and fresh pasta." — Eater.com (Washington, D.C.), 21 Mar. 2024

THE ODD WORD

Lorn

Lost, ruined or undone.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Charley Horse

Meaning: The phrase 'Charley Horse' refers to a painful, persistent cramp in one's leg, typically from strain.
Origin: The term 'Charley Horse' was first used among baseball players in the 1880s. It alludes to the name of an elderly, limping draft horse that was employed to drag the baseball diamond's infield.
Example: "I got a bad Charley Horse after swimming for an hour."

QUOTE BOX

We first make our habits, and then our habits make us. **—John Dryden**

RIDDLE THIS

What jumps when it walks and sits when it stands?

Answer: A kangaroo.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Unable to speak
5 A large-headed friction match
10 Sticks together
13 Annoyed
14 Tapered stone pillar
15 Destroys, mars or disfigures
16 Overwhelming electoral victory
18 Actual Navigation Performance
19 Mon ___ : my friend, but in French?
20 Zenith
24 Turkish military leader
27 Large flightless bird
29 Leapt, jumped or pranced
32 A printed cotton fabric
33 Thing; object
35 Measures used by printers
36 Spanish painter
37 A suffix of abstract nouns indicating action, result and instrument
39 Light knock
42 Eerily, oddly
45 Ecuador city
49 Artist's studio; workshop
50 Alliance
51 English name - " 'e recent" changes?
52 Farewell
53 Shortly; by and by

DOWN

1 Merge, blend or combine
2 Exodus author Leon ___
3 Unit of magnetic induction
4 Igloo dweller
5 Conflagration
6 Neighbor of Arg.
7 Snow runner
8 Even, poetically curtailed
9 Walsh and O'Neill
10 West African tree or its seed used in famous soft drink
11 Scottish town
12 Are no stags allowed in this social gathering? (3-5)
17 Platter
20 Stiffly formal
21 Developer of the theory of relativity
22 Deed
23 Frequency unit
25 Greek goddess of the earth
26 Mandela's org.
28 Definite article
29 Screen Actors Guild, acronym?
30 Expert
31 A superabundance or surfeit
34 Errors in printing
38 Consumed
40 Ex-English wicket keeper Stewart
41 A fire for burning corpse
42 Male children
43 Fiddling emperor
44 ___ Turner : Kiwi batsman married to an Indian girl?
45 As being (Latin)
46 And for the German
47 Latin trio
48 Also; as well; more than is needed

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

■	■	B	E	D	■	■	T	K	O	■	■	■
■	R	O	D	E	O	■	U	N	C	L	E	■
C	A	T	N	A	P	■	L	O	T	U	S	■
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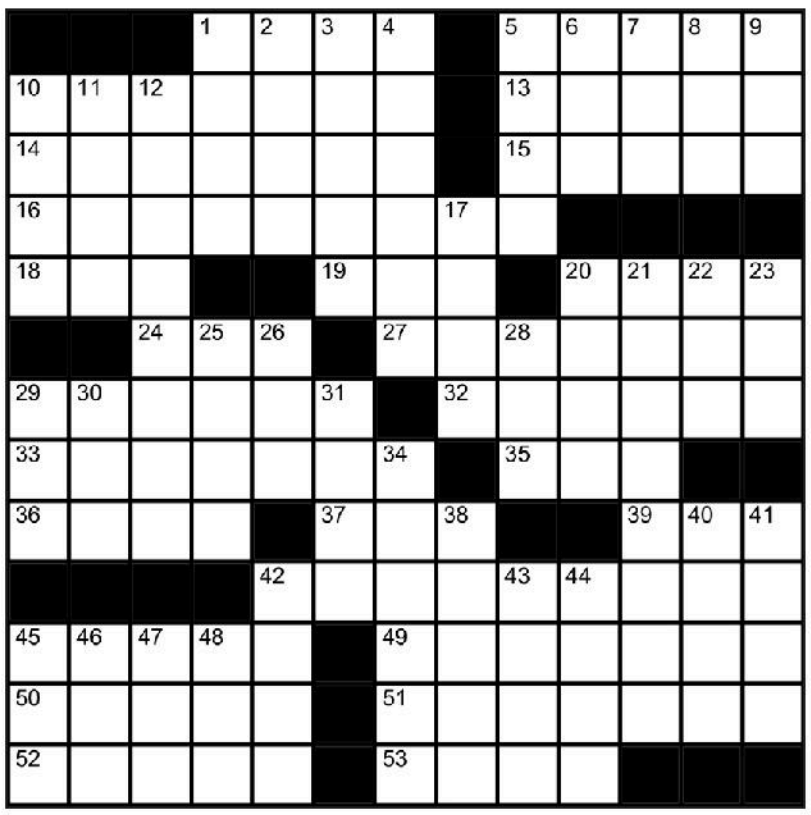

SUDOKU

	2							
		5	4	7				
3	8	7						
1					9	2		5
7	9						6	1
4		2	3					9
						1	5	7
				8	6	9		
							8	

Answer to previous puzzle

3	6	2	5	9	4	7	8	1
9	8	4	1	2	7	6	3	5
1	7	5	6	3	8	4	2	9
6	2	3	9	4	1	5	7	8
4	5	8	2	7	6	1	9	3
7	9	1	3	8	5	2	4	6
5	4	9	8	1	2	3	6	7
8	1	7	4	6	3	9	5	2
2	3	6	7	5	9	8	1	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

XU HDPY CI XZY XFAG UW KYWUKTDMH AUVDYXB DA XU

HDPY CI UMY'A KYAIUMADEDQDXB FA F WKYY TFM.

TODAY'S CLUE: H EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: All the knowledge in the world is found within you.

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Kalki 2898 AD (K-2D)	(S-1)	6.45 pm, 10.10 pm
	(S-3)	9.30 am, 12.55 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	(S-3)	7 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	(S-1)	1 pm
	(S-4)	9.25 am, 3.10 pm
		6.40 pm, 10.10 pm
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	(S-1)	4.35 pm
Sarfira (H)	(S-2)	9.45 am, 12.50 pm
		7.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Fly Me to the Moon (E)	(S-3)	4.20 pm, 10.25 pm
Despicable Me 4 (E-3D)	(S-4)	1 pm

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Kalki 2898 AD (K-2D)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 6 pm
	(S-4)	1.25 pm, 7.45 pm
Love Li (K)	(S-1)	1.55 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	(S-2)	1 pm, 4.25 pm, 7.50 pm
	(S-3)	6.05 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-4)	10 am
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	(S-3)	11.10 am, 2.40 pm
Kali Kudukaru (K)	(S-4)	4.50 pm

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Sarfira (H)	:	9 am, 12.15 pm, 3.30 pm
		6.45 pm, 10 pm, 10.30 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	:	10.30 am, 11.30 am, 2.10 pm
		3.10 pm, 6.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Indian 2 (H)	:	5.50 pm, 9.30 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	:	10.45 am, 2.25 pm, 6.05 pm, 9.45 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K-2D)	:	11.15 am, 6.35 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-2D)	:	2.55 pm, 10:15 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11 am
Kaagaz Ke Phool (H)	:	11.35 am
Kill (H)	:	2.45 pm
Fly Me to the Moon (E)	:	5.10 pm
Longlegs (E)	:	8.05 pm

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Indian 2 (Ta)	:	9.15 am, 11 am, 2.40 pm, 6.20, 10 pm
Sarfira (H)	:	9.30 am, 12.45 pm, 4 pm, 7.15, 10.30 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	10.30 am
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	:	11.05 am, 6.30 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	:	2.50 pm, 10.15 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K-2D)	:	3.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Despicable Me 4 (E)	:	12.55 pm
Indian 2 (Te)	:	6.50 pm

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

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Sarfira (H)	:	9.05 am, 4 pm, 7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H-2D)	:	10.40 am, 6.40 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K-2D)	:	11.10 am, 2.50 pm, 6.30 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	:	3 pm, 10.20 pm
Indian 2 (Ta)	:	11 am, 2.40 pm, 6.20 pm, 10 pm
Indian (Te)	:	12.20 pm
Indian (H)	:	10.10 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	2.20 pm

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob: 9606976757

Indian 2 (Ta)	:	7.50 am, 11.30 am, 3.10 pm
		6.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Sarfira (H)	:	9.30 am, 12.45 pm, 7.05 pm, 10.20 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	10.30 am
Kalki 2898 AD (Te-3D)	:	11 am, 6.20 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (H-3D)	:	2.40 pm, 10 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (K-2D)	:	2.50 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Ma-2D)	:	10.10 pm
Indian 2 (Te)	:	11.10 am
Maharaja (Ta)	:	4 pm
Indian (H)	:	6.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (JULY 14)

- **Industrial Extension Cottage (Indext-C), Government of Gujarat:** 'Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav,' JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Hebbal, Mysuru, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Sahara Handicraft and Handloom Association:** Handicraft and Handloom Exhibition, Bharat Scouts and Guides Grounds, behind DC's office, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Rangavalli:** Releasing of Prasanna's book 'Indian Method in Acting' and interaction on the topic 'Nataneyalli Bharatiya Samskrutiyembudideye?,' Music University VC Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote chief guest, senior writer & critic O.L. Nagabhushanaswamy and senior theatre director Prasanna will be present, Indian Institute of Educational Theatre premises, Hardwicke School premises, **4 pm.**
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota, Mysuru:** Releasing of writer Dr. Yellappa K.K. Pura's 'Bisila Beragu' felicitation volume, retd. Chief Traffic Manager Sharana Sarangamath Hampaiah inaugurates, poet and former MP Dr. L. Hanumanthaiah releases the book, District Sahitya Bhavana, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **4.30 pm.**
- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** Sri Mahavarahi Gupta (Ashada) Navaratri, Shatru Stambhanakarini Sri Bagalamukhi Homa and Sri Dashavarahi Avarananga Homa, Foundation premises, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Children's Literary Club, Mysuru:** Talk on 'Shanay - Timpishka' by Dr. R. Purnima, formerly, Professor of English, KSOU, and now, Director, Children's Literary Club, Sri Sathya Sai Baba Educational Institutions, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Sarvajayanandaji speaks on 'Sri Sri Rama Krishna Charite,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts:** Staging of play 'Sthavaravu Jangama,' Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 15)

- **Sri Chandramoulishwaraswamy Temple, V.V. Mohalla:** 82nd Jayantyotsava and 20th Brahmotsava Programme, Sri Kalabhairava Homa, Sri Anjaneya Homa, Sri Dattatreya Homa, Temple premises, **9 am.**
- **Maharaja High School:** Maharaja Mummadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Jayanti celebrations, Pratibha Puraskar presentation to meritorious students, Dr. Chandrashekar of Aditya Hospital guest of honour, Maharaja High School, **10 am.**
- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** Sri Mahavarahi Gupta (Ashada) Navaratri, Srichakrarchane, Navavarana Puja, **10 am;** Sagrahamukha Chandiyaga, Foundation premises, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **1 pm.**
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru and Uttishta Bharata Pratishtana, Mysuru:** World Population Day - Kavigoshti, cultural thinker G.N. Bhatta inaugurates, MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah talks about 'Population Explosion,' District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal presides, Senior Citizens Day Care Centre, Nimishamba Layout, near Namana Park, **11 am.**

Admissions at Music Varsity

Mysuru, July 14- Applications have been invited from eligible candidates for Degree, Post-Graduation, D.Litt, Diploma and Certificate Courses at the Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal (KSGH) Music and Performing Arts University in Mysuru and Hubballi Centres for the year 2024-25.

Admissions will be done through Unified University and College Management System (***uucms.karnataka.gov.in***).

For details, log on to the University website ***https://musicuniversity.ac.in/*** or call Ph: 0821-2402114 or Mob: 94801-50826, according to a press release.

Diploma Course at GTTC

Mysuru, July 14- The Government Tool Room and Training Centre (GTTC), Mysuru, has invited offline applications from eligible SSLC-passed candidates for admission to Diploma courses in Tool & Die Making and Precision Manufacturing.

Two-year course and 1 year compulsory internship will be provided. Applications can be submitted between July 15 and 31.

For details, contact GTTC in Belagola Industrial Area on Ph: 0821-2582750 or Helpline 155267 or Mob: 99805-57205 or 98800-68986 or log on to the websites ***https://gttc.karnataka.gov.in*** and ***http://cetonline.karnataka.gov.in/kea***, according to a press release from the Principal of Government Tool Room and Training Centre.

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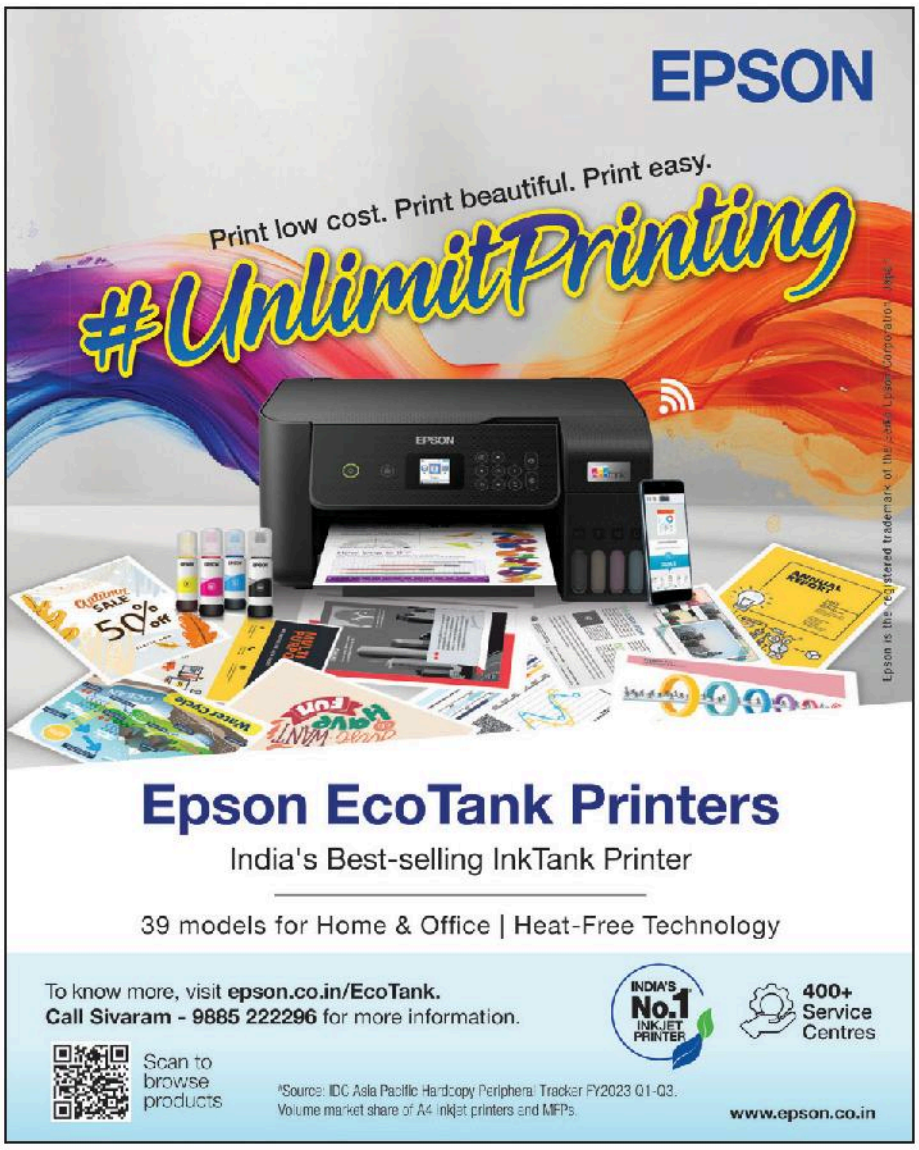
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